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The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

ADOPTED

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**AUTHORIZE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO ENTER INTO
AGREEMENTS TO OBTAIN EXPENDITURE REIMBURSEMENTS NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000
FROM OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES FOR A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD (ALL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

The District Attorney (DA) seeks delegated authority from the Board to enter into agreements to obtain expenditure reimbursements for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

Authorize the District Attorney, on behalf of the County of Los Angeles, to enter into agreements with local, State, and Federal agencies to obtain expenditure reimbursements up to \$100,000 per agency, for District Attorney expenditures, for a five-year period.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The DA participates in a variety of specialized prosecution or law enforcement task force programs. From time to time, the DA is eligible to receive reimbursement for services it provides in conjunction with these activities. Examples of agencies from which the DA could potentially receive reimbursement include the: Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), U.S. Secret Service, U.S. Marshal's Office, California Attorney General, and L.A. IMPACT.

As a condition of receiving reimbursement, these agencies often require the DA to enter into

agreements. These agreements are generally routine, but often require immediate approval to obtain the monies. The availability or amount of a reimbursement is generally unknown until the work is completed.

Rather than seek the Board's authority every time the DA seeks to pursue reimbursement from these agencies, and to facilitate more efficient collection of all reimbursement monies potentially available to the department, we ask that for a five-year period effective upon approval of this request, you delegate authority to the DA to enter into agreements, once reviewed and approved by County Counsel, for an amount not to exceed \$100,000.

This authorization will enable the DA to seek and receive revenue for program efforts put forth in conjunction with other law enforcement agencies to combat crime.

Revenue received from these agreements will partially offset the net county cost to the County of Los Angeles for the DA's participation in the specialized prosecution or task force program.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

Approval of the recommended action is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan Goal No. 3, Integrated Services Delivery, to maximize opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leverage resources through the continuous integration of health, community, and public safety services.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The agreements authorized by this action will not require appropriation increases as spending authority will have been approved by the Board through the normal budget process for DA programs.

Each agreement will not exceed revenue of \$100,000. The DA will immediately notify the Board if an agreement is expected to exceed this amount in any given fiscal year.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The DA often participates in specialized prosecution or task force programs for the purpose of integrating resources and investigative efforts to address emerging criminal justice issues in Los Angeles County.

The DA may be eligible to receive reimbursement for the work performed in conjunction with these programs, but often requires entering into agreement with local, State, and Federal agencies. Board authorization is required to enter into agreements with outside agencies in order for the DA to accept revenue for reimbursement of expenditures. Each agreement will be limited to accepting revenue up to \$100,000, and will provide reimbursement for specific types of expenditures such as overtime worked in conjunction with a particular specialized prosecution program, task force or agency.

Each agreement entered into under the authority requested in this letter will be reviewed by County Counsel prior to entering into the agreement. While the provisions of each agreement will likely vary depending on the agency paying the reimbursement, these agreements are generally routine.

Should we determine, after consultation with County, that the provisions of a particular contract are unusual or potentially problematic, we will present that agreement to your Board for specific approval.

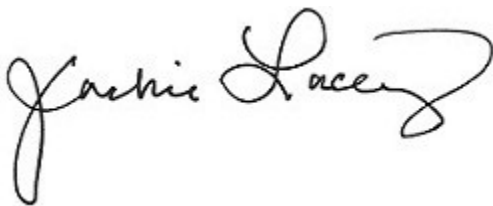
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There is no impact on current services. These programs provide reimbursement which lessens the impact on the County general fund, and provides opportunities for the DA to enhance the fight on crime through cooperative efforts with partner agencies.

CONCLUSION

It is requested that the Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors, return an adopted copy of this Board letter to Ms. Nika Thu, Contracts and Grants Section, Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, 201 North Figueroa Street, Suite 1300, Los Angeles, California 90012. Any questions may be directed to Ms. Thu at (213) 202-7654 or via email at nthu@da.lacounty.gov.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jackie Lacey". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Jackie" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Lacey".

JACKIE LACEY

District Attorney

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c: Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors
Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel